

IN THE CLAIMS

Please replace the current claim listing with the following complete listing of claims:

1. (Canceled)

2. (Currently Amended) ~~The~~ A railcar according to claim 1 comprising:
a plurality of truck assemblies, each truck assembly having at least one wheel
an underbody supported on said truck assemblies, said underbody including a
cold formed center sill extending substantially the length of said railcar, wherein
said center sill includes two cold formed sections and no more than one weld
seam connecting said two cold formed sections; and
a railcar body attached to said underbody.

3. (Canceled)

4. (Currently Amended) ~~The~~ A railcar according to claim 3 comprising:
a plurality of truck assemblies, each truck assembly having at least one wheel
an underbody supported on said truck assemblies, said underbody including a
cold formed center sill extending substantially the length of said railcar, wherein
said center sill includes a generally hollow rectangular configuration with an open
bottom, and wherein said center sill has a substantially uniform thickness of
between about 3/8 inch to about 5/8 inch; and
a railcar body attached to said underbody.

5. (Currently Amended) ~~The~~ A railcar according to claim 3 comprising:

a plurality of truck assemblies, each truck assembly having at least one wheel
an underbody supported on said truck assemblies, said underbody including a
cold formed center sill extending substantially the length of said railcar, wherein
said center sill includes a generally hollow rectangular configuration with an open
bottom, and wherein said center sill weighs less than 80 pounds per foot; and
a railcar body attached to said underbody.

6. – 10. (Canceled)

11. (Currently Amended) ~~A The gondola railcar of claim 10~~ comprising:
a pair of spaced truck assemblies, each truck assembly having four wheels;
an underbody supported on said truck assemblies, said underframe including a
cold formed center sill, said center sill comprising wherein said center sill is
formed of a single cold formed section without weld seams, wherein said center
sill includes a generally hollow rectangular configuration with an open bottom
wherein said center sill has a substantially uniform thickness of between about
3/8 inch to about 5/8 inch; and
at least one tub extending below said center sill between said pair of truck
assemblies.

12. (Original) The gondola railcar of claim 11 wherein said center sill weighs less than 80 pounds per foot.

13. (Currently Amended) ~~A The gondola railcar of claim 7~~ comprising:
a pair of spaced truck assemblies, each truck assembly having four wheels; and
an underbody supported on said truck assemblies, said underframe including a
cold formed center sill, said center sill comprising no more than two cold formed

sections, and no more than one weld seam connecting said cold formed sections, and wherein said center sill has at least four work hardened corners.

14. (Original) The gondola railcar of claim 13 wherein said center sill includes a pair of bottom wall portions, each said bottom wall portion extending inwardly from one side edge thereof.

15. (Original) The gondola railcar of claim 14 wherein said center sill is formed of a single cold formed section without weld seams.

16. (Original) The gondola railcar of claim 15 further including at least one tub extending below said center sill between said pair of truck assemblies.

17. (Original) The gondola railcar of claim 16 wherein said center sill includes a generally hollow rectangular configuration with an open bottom.

18. (Currently Amended) ~~The A~~ A gondola railcar of claim 7 comprising:
a pair of spaced truck assemblies, each truck assembly having four wheels; and
an underbody supported on said truck assemblies, said underframe including a
cold formed center sill, and wherein said center sill includes two cold formed sections and no more than one weld seam connecting said two cold formed sections.

19. (Original) The gondola railcar of claim 18 wherein said center sill has at least four work hardened corners.

20. (Original) The gondola railcar of claim 19 further including at least one tub extending below said center sill between said pair of truck assemblies.